

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims as follows.

A) 1. (Currently amended) A compact headset communication unit comprising a housing in ~~which~~ having at least one transducer ~~is placed~~, and ~~on which~~ a microphone arm ~~is suspended~~; from said housing, said housing having an outer peripheral edge which defines a boundary of the housing, and also having an earhook for securing the communication unit to the head of a user, said earhook extending from said housing, wherein the microphone arm is pivotally connected to the housing by a hinge link on said housing, and such that the microphone arm being moveable between a first folded position in which it lies up against the housing, and a second open position in which it extends away from the housing, and that the microphone arm is of a length such that, when in the folded position does not extend generally beyond the outer periphery of the housing, so that when said microphone arm is in said folded position, a compact unit is formed with the microphone being substantially within the peripheral boundary.

2. (Currently amended) Communication unit according to claim 1, wherein face of the housing lies generally in one plane, and wherein the microphone arm is pivotally connected to the housing in such a manner that ~~an axis of rotation for the microphone arm is capable of rotating on said hinge link through a plane which is orthogonal to said one plane as it is moved from a closed to an open position. is lying in a plane which is~~ substantially parallel with at least a part of a side surface of the housing.

3. (Original) Communication unit according to claim 1, wherein the microphone arm is connected to the housing by two hinge pins which extend out from a side surface of the housing, and that a first end part of the microphone arm has a hinge part which corresponds to and is disposed between the two hinge pins.

A) 4. (Original) Communication unit according to claim 1, wherein a contact arrangement is associated with the microphone arm, so that this contact arrangement is activated by the movement of the microphone arm from the first position to the second position or vice versa.

5. (Original) Communication unit according to claim 4, wherein a securing device is associated with the microphone arm so that the microphone arm is releasable from the first position by means of a release arrangement, and that the release arrangement possibly also activates said changeover arrangement.

6. (Original) Communication unit according to claim 5, including a microphone built into the communication unit, in which case the electrical connections to this microphone are effected thru hinge link.

7. (Original) Communication unit according to claim 1 wherein the communication unit is configured for wireless communication, and that the communication unit supports an antenna for wireless communication, which antenna is supported by the housing.

8. (Original) Communication unit according to claim 7, wherein the antenna comprises a coating on a surface in or on the housing, on its inner side surface.

9. (Original) Communication unit according to claim 8, wherein the electrical connection to the antenna is effected via the hinge link, via electrically conductive coatings on one or both hinge pins and the hinge part of the microphone arm, respectively.

10. (Original) Communication unit according to one or more of the claim 1, wherein said earhook, which is pivotally connected to the housing by means of a securing part and that the housing has a recess corresponding to the ear hook.

11. (Currently amended) Communication unit according to claim 10, wherein the earhook which is ~~can be~~ removably pivotally connected to the housing (1) in at least two positions, rightside up and upsidedown, so that the communication unit can be worn by a user on either the right or the left side of the head.

A) 12. (Currently amended) A wearable headset communication unit comprising a housing having a generally planar side, a microphone arm pivotally connected to the housing by a hinge link, and such that the microphone arm can be moved between a first position in which it lies up against the planar side of said housing ~~and through~~ a second position in which it extends perpendicularly away from the housing, a communications link circuit for connection said headset to a remote telephone communications device, said circuitry within said headset for detecting a ringing state on the remote device, and by moving said microphone arm to said second position, causing said remote device to go to an off-hook state.

Claims 13-16 (Withdrawn)

17. (Currently amended) A headset according to claim ~~14~~ 12, further including a detector ~~is a switch~~ located in said housing and wherein ~~said first portion of said~~ earhook actuates said switch, so that the switch is capable of knowing which ear of the wearer the headset is worn upon. ~~in when used on wearer's one ear and not when used on wearer's other ear.~~

18. (Currently amended) A wearable headset communication unit comprising a housing, a microphone arm is pivotally connected to the housing (1) by a hinge link, and such that the microphone arm (2) can be moved between a first position in which it lies up against the housing (1), and a second position in which it extends away from the housing, said hinge link including at least one recess, said arm including at least one slidable element ~~pin~~ to be received within said recess, a bias element within said arm providing bias force against said element ~~pin~~ to maintain said element ~~pin~~ within said

recess, linkage from said pin to a sensor responsive to element pin movement to detect the position of the arm.

A) 19. (Currently amended) A wearable headset according to claim 18 wherein said recess includes a groove, having sloping sidewalls and where said element pin includes a land sized to be received within said groove, said land having sloping sidewalls configured to mate with said sidewalls of said recess, so that when said element pin is biased toward said groove, said arm is urged in said first position.

20. (Currently amended) A wearable headset according to claim 19 where said arm includes at least one hinge ~~sleeve~~ stem sized to receive said element pin and wherein said ~~sleeve~~ stem and element pin are keyed to prevent rotation therebetween ~~of the pin with said sleeve~~ while still permitting axial movement of said element pin in response to said bias.

Claims 21-24 (Withdrawn)

25 (New) Communication unit comprising a housing in which at least one transducer is placed, and on which a microphone arm is suspended, said housing also having means for securing the communication unit to the head of a user, wherein the microphone arm is pivotally connected to the housing by a hinge link generally at the outer periphery of the housing, and such that the microphone arm can be moved between a first position in which it lies up against the housing, and a second position in which it extends away from the housing, and that the microphone arm is of a length which in the main is less than or of the same order as the greatest extent of the housing.

26. (New) A compact headset communication unit comprising a housing having at least one transducer, and a microphone arm suspended from said housing, said housing having an outer peripheral edge, and also having an earhook for securing the communication unit to the head of a user, said earhook extending from said housing,

A) wherein the microphone arm is connected to the housing by a hinge link to pivot at a predetermined fixed point on said housing, and such that the microphone arm moveable between a first folded position in which it lies up against the housing , and a second open position in which it extends away from the housing, and that the microphone arm is of a length such that, when in the folded position does not extend substantially beyond the outer periphery of the housing, so that when said microphone arm is in said folded position, a compact unit is formed .